REGION IV MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MINUTES

November 08, 2011 - 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM Ada County Sheriff's Office 7200 W Barrister, Boise, ID

CHAIR: Greg Dickerson

VICE CHAIR:

Attendees: Gina Westcott, Greg Dickerson, Scott Armentrout, Douglas Miller, Chris Culp, Paula Campbell, Vernon Bisterfeldt, Mechelle Wilson, Steve Graci, Traci Dumond, Kristi Olson, Shelley Retter, Jason Stone, Laura Thomas, Michael Dickson, Liza Clinger, Kate Pape, and Judi Corlett.

Excused Absences:

Agenda	Presenter	Discussion
Introductions and	Greg	Introduction of all attendees. New Idaho Federation of Family Representative, Steve
Attendance.	Dickerson	Graci, was announced and is to take Courtney Santillian's place.
Review Agenda.	Greg	Gina moved to approve the July 2011 and September 2011 minutes and Doug Miller
Approval of last meeting's	Dickerson	seconded. All were in agreement.
minutes.		
Behavioral Health	Gina	Gina shared information regarding the Behavioral Health Interagency Cooperative. They
Cooperative Update	Westcott	have continued to meet and have been discussing the WICHE Report. Gina encourages the Board to visit their website (http://www.bhic.idaho.gov/) on a regular basis. Gina shares that at this time that it is not likely that we will not see a significant change in the MHB structure, powers, and/or duties. She stated that she would like to see the MHB focus its attention on some strategic planning. Ex. Where should we be focusing our time? Where are some initiatives that we as a group we can work together? Community needs? Vern Bisterfeldt, Jennifer Burlage, and Kate Pape all agree. Gina moved to approve a strategic planning session for our January 2012 meeting and Scott Armentrout seconded. All were in agreement.
		Vern Bisterfeldt suggested that we have a meeting that focuses on what services we do have for our communities.
		Scott Armentrout asked if we have any budget for this Board. Gina stated that in the past we have received Service Component Grants but at this time we do not have a budget. She does not feel that we will be getting any money for the budget at this time. Paula Campbell states that she would be happy to share many programs that are available to the public.
		Liza Clinger will help get information updated and sent out all electronic information to

·		MHB Distribution List.
Update from Medicaid regarding the MCO	Patricia Martelle	Patricia focused on how Medicaid is moving from a Fee For Service Model to a Manage Care Model. Patricia explained the differences between the models for the board. Please see webpage (http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov) for a more extensive explanation. She shared that they are currently engaged in a RFP (Request for Proposal). This will be a way for Medicaid to get bids from public providers. Patricia, again, informs us that the above website has all of this information and that they would like to receive community input. The contract for this Managed Care Model is expected to be 2-3 year contract with an additional year added on as an option. Their goal is to have the RFP posted by end of 2011 and then by July 2012. They would like to have a signed contract but not implemented. Patricia informs us that they are using Iowa, Colorado, and Louisiana as models. She also stated that if anyone would like to do more research on the states that are already using this model to do an internet search on "Mental Health Managed Care." She also stated that to be able to switch from a Fee For Service Model to a Managed Care Reimbursement Model we have to get permission from the federal government. This waiver is called 1915B Waiver and/or Freedom of Choice Waiver. This waiver allows us to change the rules such as choosing network providers to get Medicaid reimbursement. This has to be cost neutral or cost savings, everything that is available now has to continue to be available, and the provider can only make a certain profit. CMS has to approve the waiver before a contract can be signed.
Member Reports and Updates CMH Subcommittee Update RAC Update		Jennifer Burlage shared that Meridian, Garden City, and Boise PD are utilizing the Mobile Crisis Unit (MCU). They have been able to divert about around 20 mental holds per month. The MCU has been able to stabilize their 150 mental holds per month without an increase. They are still running the same work schedule. Kate Pape stated that CIT is being implemented in the Ada County Sheriff Department, slowly, but the hope is to embrace it more fully. Gina states that they have reduced the clients on the ACT Team. The Department has been able to refer these clients to community providers and/or was able to get them into our regular clinic. Doug Miller stated that Valley County is one step closer to having a BPA approved substance approved provider.
*		RAC Team meets tomorrow. Time has changed to 10:00 AM-12:00 PM and they will

		have an update on the stated suicide prevention plan.
		Mike Dixon is the new regional coordinate for BPA. They will be having another provider meeting on 11/17/2011 at the Caldwell Health and Welfare building to talk with DHW.
	ermunyer interest	Kate Pape stated that they have started a Discharge Planning Team so that individuals can have a better transition to the community.
Elections	All	NA
Other Board Items Wrap-up	All	NA
		Meeting adjourned.

^{*}Next meeting is January 10, 2012 at the Ada County Sheriff's Office, 7200 W Barrister, Boise, ID 83704 from 12:00 PM-2:00 PM.